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(54) **OILY COMPOSITION CONTAINING
ALPHA-TOCOPHEROL VITAMIN A ACID ESTER**

(57) Abstract:

PURPOSE: To provide the subject composition containing a carotenoid, stabilized to light, etc., and low in deactivation even after long-term storage.

CONSTITUTION: An oily composition containing 1-30wt.% α -tocopherol vitamin A acid ester is blended with a carotenoid such as α -, (3-, γ - or δ -carotene,

lycopene or cryptoxanthin in an amount of ≤ 0.01 wt.% based on α -tocopherol vitamin A acid ester. Further, a stabilizer except the carotenoid, an extending agent, a colorant, a sweetening, a surfactant, etc., are added as necessary. Among the above-mentioned additives, the surfactant can promote solubilization of both the components mentioned above into the oily component and has an effect on improvement of its stability.

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